

Winner of an International Student Business Competition: A Mysterious Business Case

A team led by Dr. Pradeep Kumar, Faculty of Modern Languages, University of Applied Sciences in Nysa, Poland, won an “international Student Business competition: a mysterious business case”, on November 7th, 2023, at the Department of International Business, Prague University of Economics and Business, Prague, Czech Republic.

An “*International Student Business Competition: A Mysterious Business Case*” was organized by the Department of International Business, Faculty of International Relations, Prague University of Economics and Business, Czech Republic. The competition was held on November 6-7, 2023, at the Faculty of International Business. It was the very first edition of such kind where students and experts were invited to work together on mysterious business cases from around the globe without disclosing the cases before the competition. A total of 27 students were registered with 14 nationalities. Five international professors /experts were also invited to be supervisors for the student groups and trained them for the competition.

The one on the 6th of November 2023, all participants were welcomed by the organizer Prof. Vít Hinčica, at the Faculty Department of International Business, and introduced to the competition. Later five separate groups of students were drowned with the assignment of mysterious cases and supervisors. Each group of students received one case and one supervisor. The assigned supervisor should train their group and make them ready for the next day's final presentation. Some students worked almost overnight to find the right solution to their cases.

Dr. Kumar's team consists of the following students:

1. *Illia Antonenko*
2. *Nina Shamugiya*
3. *Nicolas Urrea Suarez*
4. *Sai Veekshita Vinnakota*
5. *Emiliano Mesias Bolanos*
6. *Yuliia Masiichuk (absentia)*

The entire team was dedicated and well-motivated to find the right solution for the assigned case “The Buenos Aires Case”. 2nd day before the competition the entire team practiced well under Dr. Kumar's supervision and guidance. Every team member was assigned his role and dealt with the best solutions. **On the final day of the competition, the team performed well and was declared as a winner of the competition.** The best-performing students from the non-winning groups were:

1. *Christina Tanissa*
2. *Ahmad Ihab Ahmed Eid*
3. *William Jonathan Bowen, and*
4. *Wouter Smulders*

The foreign professors/ experts were invited from:

- **Smaranda Vancea**, Universitatea Dimitrie Cantemir Targu, Romania
- **Eglė Vaičiukynaitė**, Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania
- **Asta Tarutė**, Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania
- **Kelaniyage Shihan Dilruk Fernando**, University of Szczecin, Poland
- **Pradeep Kumar**, University of Applied Sciences Nysa, Poland
- **Petr Prochazka**, Local professor from the Department of International Business, Prague University of Economics and Business, Czech Republic

We congratulate all the participants as well as our partner university for the successful conduct of the competition.